

Agenda

- Issues Prior to Katrina
- Problems During Response
- Action Items Planned
- Where Are We Now?

Issues Prior to Katrina

- VERT Focus on In-State
 Emergencies
- EMAC Focus on A-Team Duties
- DOCUMENTATION Documentation
 Prior to Katrina focused on A-Team
 Deployments

Issues Prior to Katrina (con't)

- State Assets Katrina made landfall as the SMA Program was being revamped
- EMAC Mission Broadcasts System was not in place to broadcast missions to Localities and other State Agencies

Problems During Response

- Understanding Available Assets
- Database of Assets
- What Do We Have In Region?
- How Do We Alert Localities of Requirements?
- How do we get the Localities there under EMAC

Action Items Where Are We Now?

- Identification and Typing of Incident Management Teams and other Resources
- Education of State & Local Officials in the EMAC Process – You are here now
- Streamlining of the EMAC Process

Action Items Where Are We Now? (con't)

- Alerting Other Agencies of a Need
- Database of Assets
- Getting the Resource Deployed with Accurate Information
- EMAC A-Team Training 2007 110
 Personnel currently trained not only in EMAC, but also Statewide Mutual Aid (SMA)

SIMA Statewide Mutual Aid

SMA Activities

- SMA Operations Manual Is provided as a guide to Local and County governments
 - Standardized for use statewide
 - All forms that are needed to implement
 SMA are in the Operations Manual
 - All the forms have been standardized and follow the format of the EMAC forms

SMA Activities (con't)

- The similarities to EMAC Forms and procedures allows for the ease of implementing both programs if needed
- SMA does not replace nor affect existing One to One Mutual Aid Agreements
- SMA is setup to provide assistance between localities without assistance from the State

SMA Outreach

- VEOC can assist in implementing the SMA process if needed. Some of the triggers for this may be:
 - Lack of time due to responses
 - Manpower to complete and implement the forms
- SMA Operations Manual is available on the Public Side of the VDEM Website at www.vaemergency.com or at the On-Line EOC Portal
- Forms are also available on the Public Side and at the On-Line EOC Portal.

SMA Outreach

- Open SMA Missions will be posted Online
- The Communications Center will do a statewide broadcast via VCIN and other means whenever SMA may be needed and will advise localities of possible needs coming

SMA Outreach

- An SMA Equipment Database has been established as a result of Hurricane Katrina last year
- This database is currently
 maintained by the Logistics Branch,
 but will soon be available via
 WebEOC for Localities and
 Counties to input their information
 directly

SMA Activities (con't)

- The SMA program has been full implemented into the ESF 7 – Resource Management Function of the Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)
- It has also been included in the Resource Management Plan and was included in the EMAP Accreditation & National Peer Review assessments for 2005 & 2006

SMA Education

- Statewide Mutual Aid training has been combined with EMAC training
- This will prove cost effective and get the training to the areas faster
- Training is being given on a regional basis and at various conferences

SMA Education

- Training Covers
 - -The Process
 - -The Forms
 - The Operations Manual
 - -The On-Line Resources
 - -The SMA Equipment Database
 - Updates on the application of WebEOC

Questions?

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